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SUBJECT: CIVAIR-BRANIFF SCHEDULES

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1. WHETHER INTENTIONALLY OR NOT, APPROVAL GIVEN TO BRANIFF BY SUAREZ DOES NOT CONFORM WITH ASSURANCES GIVEN DCM OR WITH TEXT OF FONOFF NOTE. WHAT SUAREZ APPEARS TO HAVE DONE IS APPROVE SCHEDULE AS IT WAS OPERATED JULY 1, RATHER THAN SCHEDULE FILED NOVEMBER 28, WHICH REFLECTS RESTORATION BRANIFF'S TWO AND ONE-HALF ROUND TRIP FLIGHTS AND, IN OTHER RESPECTS, SCHEDULE AS OPERATED AND APPROVED BY SUAREZ OCTOBER 27. THE DIFFERENCES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. FLIGHT 987 ON THURSDAY APPROVED MIAMI-PANAMA-GUAYAQUIL-LIMA, RATHER THAN MIAMI-GUAYAQUIL-SAO PAULO-RIO AS FILED.

B. FLIGHT 977 ON FRIDAY APPROVED NYC-MIAMI-PANAMA-

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GUAYAQUIL-LA PAZ, RATHER THAN BEYOND GUAYAQUIL TO LIMA,

AS FILED.

C. FLIGHT 970 ON MONDAY APPROVED SANTIAGO-LIMA-GUAYAQUIL-PANAMA-MIAMI, WHILE SCHEDULE FILED OMITTS STOP AT LIMA.

D. FLIGHT 992 ON FRIDAY APPROVED RIO-SAO PAULO-LIMA-GUAYAQUIL-MIAMI, WHILE SCHEDULE FILED OMITTS STOP AT LIMA.

2. NONE OF FOREGOING DIFFERENCES INVOLVE ANY MORE FLIGHTS THAN WERE OPERATED IN JULY AND, ON BALANCE, SCHEDULE FILED BY BRANIFF NOVEMBER 28 IS NO MORE COMPETITIVE, AND IN FACT PROBABLY LESS COMPETITIVE, WITH ECUATORIANA THAN SCHEDULE APPROVED BY SUAREZ.

3. DEPARTMENT/CAB BELIEVE EMBASSY SHOULD PROTEST SUAREZ'S LETTER MOST STRONGLY AND INSIST GOE LIVE UP TO ITS PART OF BARGAIN. KISSINGER

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